course requirements for obtaining a regular secondary school diploma;

- (6) A waiver of the tuition costs is unavailable;
- (7) The tuition is paid with Upward Bound grant funds to an institution of higher education on behalf of a participant; and
- (8) The Upward Bound project pays for no more than the equivalent of two courses for a participant each school year.

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§ 645.41 What are unallowable costs?

Costs that may not be charged against a grant under this program include the following:

- (a) Research not directly related to the evaluation or improvement of the project.
- (b) Meals for staff except as provided in §645.40 (d) and (m) and in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) Room and board for administrative and instructional staff personnel who do not have responsibility for dormitory supervision of project participants during a residential summer component unless these costs are approved by the Secretary.
- (d) Room and board for participants in Veterans Upward Bound projects.
- (e) Construction, renovation or remodeling of any facilities.
- (f) Tuition, stipends, or any other form of student financial aid for project staff beyond that provided to employees of the grantee as part of its regular fringe benefit package.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-11 and 1070a-13)

§645.42 What are Upward Bound stipends?

- (a) An Upward Bound project may provide stipends for all participants who participate on a full-time basis.
- (b) In order to receive the stipend, the participant must show evidence of satisfactory participation in activities of the project including—
 - (1) Regular attendance; and
- (2) Performance in accordance with standards established by the grantee and described in the application.

- (c) The grantee may prorate the amount of the stipend according to the number of scheduled sessions in which the student participated.
- (d) The following rules govern the amounts of stipends a grantee is permitted to provide:
- (1) For Regular Upward Bound projects and Upward Bound Math and Science Centers—
- (i) For the academic year component, the stipend may not exceed \$40 per month; and
- (ii) The stipend may not exceed \$60 per month for the summer school recess for a period not to exceed three months, except that youth participating in a work-study position may be paid \$300 per month during the summer school recess.
- (2) For Veterans Upward Bound projects, the stipend may not exceed \$40 per month.

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§ 645.43 What other requirements must a grantee meet?

- (a) Number of Participants. For each year of the project period, a grantee must serve at least the number of participants that the Secretary identifies in the FEDERAL REGISTER notice inviting applications for a competition. Through this notice, the Secretary also provides the minimum and maximum grant award amounts for the competition
- (b) Project director. (1) A grantee must employ a full-time project director unless—
- (i) The director is also administering one or two additional programs for disadvantaged students operated by the sponsoring institution or agency; or
- (ii) The Secretary grants a waiver of this requirement.
- (2) The grantee must give the project director sufficient authority to administer the project effectively.
- (3) The Secretary waives the requirements in paragraph (b)(1) of this section if the applicant demonstrates that the project director will be able to effectively administer more than three programs and that this arrangement would promote effective coordination between the program and other Federal

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TRIO programs (sections 402B through 402F of the HEA) and similar programs funded through other sources.

- (c) Recordkeeping. For each participant, a grantee must maintain a record
- (1) The basis for the grantee's determination that the participant is eligible to participate in the project under
- (2) The basis for the grantee's determination that the participant has a need for academic support in order to pursue successfully a program of education beyond secondary school;
- (3) The services that are provided to the participant;
- (4) The educational progress of the participant during high school and, to the degree possible, during the participant's pursuit of a postsecondary education program; and
- (5) To the extent practicable, any services the participant receives during the project year from another Federal TRIO program or another federally funded program that serves populations similar to those served under the UB program.

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Subpart A—General

§646.1 What is the Student Support Services Program?

The Student Support Services Program provides grants for projects designed to-

- (a) Increase the college retention and graduation rates of eligible students;
- (b) Increase the transfer rate of eligible students from two-year to four-year institutions: and
- (c) Foster an institutional climate supportive of the success of students who are limited English proficient, students from groups that are traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education, individuals with disabilities, homeless children and youth, foster care youth, or other disconnected students; and
- (d) Improve the financial and economic literacy of students in areas such as-
- (1) Basic personal income, household money management, and financial planning skills; and